

**To:** Jess Fulbright[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com]  
**From:** Way, Steven  
**Sent:** Sun 8/17/2014 1:38:26 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Jess - sounds good. Matt Francis w Environmental Restoration (ER) will be there w crew by Wed, 8/27, if not by Tuesday afternoon.

Thanks for the communications and we'll confirm our ops as we bet close to Sept dates.

I'll give you a call next I am coming Ridgeway.

Thanks,  
Steve  
Steve

---

**From:** Jess Fulbright <sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 16, 2014 1:55:39 PM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

The week of the 25th may work out for us, I think we can get up there that week. We do not really need much assistance, I was in that area years ago and at least one of my team members has been there much more recently. Really just a drive to make sure we are aware of current conditions.

San Juan Mine Rescue Cooperative  
Jess W Fulbright - Coordinator  
115 Mall Road  
PO Box 1141  
Ridgway, CO 81432  
Cell: (970) 318-6079  
Home: (970) 864-2116  
E-mail: [sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)

---

This e-mail is intended for the exclusive use the of person(s) mentioned as the recipient(s). This message and any attached files with it are confidential and may contain privileged or proprietary information. If you are not the intended recipient(s) please delete this message and notify the sender. You may not use, distribute print or copy this message if you are not the intended recipient(s).

On Thu, Aug 14, 2014 at 7:41 AM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jess,

Thank you for the additional information. I am currently on the road for a couple weeks with not much cell or other comms during the days.

Attached is a map of the Gold King area. Hopefully this helps with route finding. If you need more, I can get that to you.

As for a site visit, if you have time the week of August 25<sup>th</sup>, we are planning to have a crew there. Matt Francis with Environmental Restoration will be onsite. Otherwise, let me know when and I'll see if we have other people in the area who are familiar with it.

Thank you,

Steve

Steven Way

Federal On-Scene Coordinator

Emergency Response Unit

US EPA - Region 8

1595 Wynkoop Street

Denver, CO 80202

Office: 303-312-6723

**From:** Jess Fulbright [mailto:[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2014 7:58 AM

**To:** Way, Steven

**Cc:** Sandusky, Eric; Sorrenson - DNR, Allen

**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

I just finished an update to our posting paperwork that I will submit on Friday. I have attached those documents to this

e-mail, all mines we cover will receive this update for posting at their mines (MSHA also receives a copy). These documents

are updated every six months or when there is a change as in this case; we unfortunately lost a member. It is the same

simple system; you call down the Emergency Notification List (ENL) until one of us relieves you of that responsibility, usually the

first person you call.

We will review the information that you have provided this Friday at our regularly scheduled training session. I would

like, with your permission, to plan a site visit to gain familiarity with the roads and terrain. This would be a simple one or two

man affair, please advise of your thoughts on a site visit.

San Juan Mine Rescue Cooperative

Jess W Fulbright - Coordinator

115 Mall Road

PO Box 1141

Ridgway, CO 81432

Cell: (970) 318-6079

Home: (970) 864-2116

E-mail: [sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)

---

This e-mail is intended for the exclusive use the of person(s) mentioned as the recipient(s). This message and any attached files with it are confidential and may contain privileged or proprietary information. If you are not the intended recipient(s) please delete this message and notify the sender. You may not use, distribute print or copy this message if you are not the intended

recipient(s).

On Mon, Aug 11, 2014 at 4:54 PM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jess,

There are two projects that will be underway in September near Silverton:

1. Red and Bonita Mine: underground work on September 8 through 11. This involves a minor amount of drilling with a jack-leg drill at approximately 275 ft inby. Additionally, a small amount of water will be introduced under pressure into the shallow drill holes for a period of several hours to evaluate the fracture permeability. No tunneling, mucking, ground support work is planned.

2. Gold King Mine 7-level adit: This work is expected to begin in early September also with the excavation of the collapse adit and reconstructing the portal. By mid to late September it is assumed that the adit will be opened and underground work will begin. A more specific time line will be provided as the schedule is confirmed. The coordinates of the Gold King Mine are below, and we will provide you a route map to each mine:

37 53 40.50	107 38 18.09	11386 ft	7-Level mine adit upstream of the confluence with the
N	W	elevation	North Fork of Cement Creek.

Please let me know what additional information is needed. Also, we will revise our contact information for the SJ Mine Rescue team with your numbers below. Are there other names and contact information that we should include?

Thank you,

Steve

Steven Way  
Federal On-Scene Coordinator  
Emergency Response Unit  
US EPA - Region 8  
1595 Wynkoop Street  
Denver, CO 80202

Office: 303-312-6723

**From:** Jess Fulbright [mailto:[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 07, 2014 5:59 PM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

Look forward to hearing from you, I reviewed the Red and Bonita entry plans I have on file and will do at least a preliminary briefing with the teams. San Juan Mine Rescue and GCC Energy teams have strengthened our cross training efforts since our combined response to the Revenue Mine last winter. Our responses are now fully coordinated and our notification process has been streamlined, we can put four teams on-site in very short order.

San Juan Mine Rescue Cooperative

Jess W Fulbright - Coordinator

115 Mall Road

PO Box 1141

Ridgway, CO 81432

Cell: (970) 318-6079

Home: (970) 864-2116

E-mail: [sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)

---

This e-mail is intended for the exclusive use of person(s) mentioned as the recipient(s). This message and any attached files with it are confidential and may contain privileged or proprietary information. If you are not the intended recipient(s) please delete this message and notify the sender. You may not use, distribute print or copy this message if you are not the intended recipient(s).

On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 6:51 PM, Way, Steven <[way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)> wrote:

Jess - great to hear from you and thank you for the quick reply. I will provide the details but it's basically the same area with a new mine added.

In addition to the Red and Bonita mine, we will work at the Gold King Mine - 7 level.

Thanks and I'll look forward to talking later.

Steve

---

**From:** Jess Fulbright <[sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com](mailto:sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 6, 2014 6:18:28 PM  
**To:** Way, Steven  
**Subject:** Re: Mine Rescue Standby support - Silverton 9/3 - 30

Steve,

Good to hear from you again, still here and kicking, new contact information is listed in my closing. The home phone usually works the best if you need to call and of course you can e-mail me the pertinent information. I will alert the team members as soon as I know your dates; if it is the same project again I should still have most of the info we need for a response on file.

San Juan Mine Rescue Cooperative

Jess W Fulbright - Coordinator

115 Mall Road

PO Box 1141

Ridgway, CO 81432

Cell: (970) 318-6079

Home: (970) 864-2116

E-mail: sanjuanminerescue.jwf@gmail.com

---

This e-mail is intended for the exclusive use the of person(s) mentioned as the recipient(s). This message and any attached files with it are confidential and may contain privileged or proprietary information. If you are not the intended recipient(s) please delete this message and notify the sender. You may not use, distribute print or copy this message if you are not the intended recipient(s).

On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 1:36 PM, Way, Steven <way.steven@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello,

I am attempting to make contact with someone regarding a need for a stand-by status mine rescue team for work near Silverton, CO. The contact information that I have for Jess Fulbright is not current, and Jess is who I coordinated with last year for the same support.

Please let me know if this is support that the San Juan Mine Rescue group can assist with providing.

Thank you,

Steve

Steven Way

Federal On-Scene Coordinator

Emergency Response Unit

US EPA - Region 8

1595 Wynkoop Street

Denver, CO 80202

Office: 303-312-6723

Cell: 303-886-1640